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Applicants: Angela Basilio et al.  
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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of September 18, 2009 for which a response is due by December 18, 2009. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the accompanying amendments and remarks.

Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.